

THE
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Of the late Celebrated

Mrs. *Elizabeth Wisebourn,*

Vulgarly call'd

MOTHER WYBOURN;

CONTAINING

Secret Memoirs of several Ladies
of the first Q—y, who held an As-
sembly at her House;

Together with her

Last Will and Testament.

By ANODYNE TANNER, M. D.
Author of the P—c—l Sch—e, &c. and
One of her Physicians in Ordinary.

Post funera Virtus.

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work of the present is now

The Lady -----

subjoined V. lib. 1. has been

Madam,

TH E exact Confor-

mity of your Man-

ners to those of

Mrs. *Wifebourn*, and your

Intimacy with her when she

was living, were Motives

sufficient to induce me to

make the following Work

Sacred to your *Ladyship*.

ends Mrs. *Wifebourn* in that

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iv *Dedication.*

I am sensible *Dedications*, that were at first design'd to celebrate the Virtue and Ability of the *Patron*, are now become subservient to the mean and fordid Views of the *Writer*; but your *Ladyship*, who is so perfect a Judge of *Men*, cannot but know that I could have no other End, either in *This*, or the Choice of my *Subject*, than doing Honour to Those who deserve well of the *Public*.

Your *Ladyship*, who succeeds Mrs. *Wisebourn* in that
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Dedication. IV

Character for which she was so deservedly eminent, was the first who shew'd us the true and real Use of *Assemblies*; and I don't at all doubt but you will yet further refine upon them, and make them answer *all the Purposes* of *Masquerades*, without any of their Inconveniences. *Disguise* is abhorrent to a noble and generous Nature; and if we ought to be free in our Pleasures, as we are most certainly assur'd (both by your *Example* and *Precept*) we ought; I see no
man:

vi *Dedication.*

manner of Reason why (in
our Ways of pursuing them)
we should not be so too.

It will be worthy of you
then, Madam, to bring to
Perfection what Mrs. *Wise-*
bourn so wisely begun: LI-
BERTY is undoubtedly the
Birth-right of every *Brit-*
ton, and the Ladies more
particularly should be in-
dulged in it; *their Privile-*
ges, (which you have alrea-
dy so gloriously asserted) it
would be Sacrilege to in-
fringe; and, under your In-
fluence,

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fluence, I hope shortly to see them *act* with all that *Freedom* and *Openness*, which is the *distinguishing Characteristic* of your *Ladyship*, and is so justly the *Admiration* of *All*, but more especially of,

Madam,

Your Ladyship's most oblig'd,

most obedient, and

most devoted humble Servant,

Anodyne Tanner.

fluence, I hope shortly to see
them and with all that force
and openness, which is
the distinguishing Character-
istic of your Ladyship, and
is to justify the Admirer
on of All, but more especi-
ally of

Madam,

Your Ladyship's most obliging

and most obedient, and

most affectionate Servant,

Anthony Tamm.



THE
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Mrs. Eliz. Wiselbourne.

THE Lives of *Illustrious Persons* have been always esteem'd the most profitable Part of Knowledge; the Impressions they make on the Mind are stronger, and more capable of being retain'd than any other; By such Examples we are shewn what we ought to imitate, and what to avoid; and how, from a View of *their Actions*, to regulate *our own*.

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THIS was the Reason that first induc'd me to undertake the *Life* of Mrs. *WISEBOURN*: I consider'd it of too much Importance to be handed down to Posterity by Oral Tradition only; that many Things relating to her might be forgot, many misrepresented, and that even the most authentic Accounts must be very imperfect.

I am sensible, notwithstanding, how unequal I am to this Task; that to set every Incident of her Life in its proper Colours, requires the nicest, as well as most masterly Hand: But there is something of a Sympathy in Nature, which makes us fond of the Memories of those, whose Frame of Mind we find to have been like our own. It was for this Reason, I am told, the *Reverend Author* of the *Scourge* writ the *History of Hypatia*, and 'twas for the same Reason I presum'd to write that of Mrs. *WISEBOURN*.

Mrs. *ELIZABETH WISEBOURN* was born in the Year 1653, in the same Parish where she dy'd: Her Education was *liberal*; and her Father being a Clergyman, was very careful of instructing her in the *Principles* of our Excellent

lent Church, as by Law establish'd : The strictest Veneration for which she retain'd even to the Day of her Death.

IT is a Question, which was most to be admir'd, her Person when she was a young Woman, or her Parts when she was an old one : She was very well read in the Scriptures, and could unfold all the Mysteries thereof (especially that of Adam and Eve) with wonderful Perspicuity and Exactness.

NEITHER was her Zeal in any Degree less than her Understanding ; Deists, and They who make a Jest of all Religion, were ever the Subject of her Reproach ; she would not only endeavour it herself, but also get several worthy Divines, who frequented her House, to assist her in shewing them their Errors ; And I am credibly inform'd, an eminent Jew in this Town, who shall be nameless, was by her converted to Christianity.

IN her Childhood, she gave many extraordinary Proofs of that Genius, for which she was afterwards so conspicuous ; Instead of trifling with Toys, to which she had always an utter Aversion, she would affect being in the Company of Men ; to whose

Humours she could at last so perfectly conform herself, that any one's Taste, or Inclinations, were as natural to her, as her own.

HER Father, who (as has been said) was a Clergyman, and consequently a Man of *Paris*, neglected no Opportunity of improving her Talents. The Nunneries abroad being the Properest Academies one design'd for her Profession could be educated in, she was therefore sent to *Rome*, under the Tuition of *Signora*, the Lady Abbess of --- to whose Care upon that Occasion she would very gratefully acknowledge she ow'd all that she knew of her Business.

DURING her Abode in the Nunnery, she was oblig'd to perform her Devotions according to the Rites and Discipline of the Church of *Rome*; which has given Ground to a malicious Report, that has been spread of her since her Decease, namely, that she dy'd a *Roman Catholick*! I could give several undeniable Proofs to the contrary of this; but I think that of her Zeal for the Church (which has been hinted at already) is sufficient for any reasonable Man.

ry'd herself with her ordinary *Moderation* and *Ease*; she was an utter *Enemy* to all those *Punctilio's* and *Forms*, which disguise, and are a kind of *Restraint* upon the *Mind*; and therefore would endeavour, as much as lay in her *Power*, to create such an *Openness* of Behaviour in the *Ladies*, as any one might be able to obtain *any Favour*, without making an *Apology* for asking it.

No one was more happy in suiting Peoples Pleasures to their Circumstances, or better knew what their Constitutions could bear; she was always furnish'd with a Closet of Medicines; every one of which (if I have any Judgment) is a *NOSTRUM* of so Noble and Excellent a Nature, that I intend (as I have already done by my *Anti-venereals*, *Anti-Arthritics*, &c.) to publish a *Separate Treatise*, where every one is to be sold.

Nor shall it want the Recommendation of the *Learned* and *Ingenious* Dr. M—, whose Lady, when she was living, was a very intimate *Friend* of Mrs. *Wisebourn's*, and was so well convinc'd of her extraordinary Skill in *Physic*, that she has always made use of her *Remedies*, when her Husband's have prov'd ineffectual.

IT is true, she seldom concern'd herself with any other than *Veneréal* Cases; but there she was so very successful, that my Lady D—ch—s of —, in her last Illness, own'd she ow'd her Life entirely to her, and the late Reverend Dr. — D—n of — might have been still living, had he taken the Method she prescrib'd.

IF to deserve well of the Public is worthy our Applause, her Name ought never to be forgot; she has FED THE HUNGRY, CLOATHED THE NAKED, SUPPORTED THEM THAT WERE FEEBLE; she has been the greatest, as well as most indulgent Benefactress of her Age: I could instance several, who not only owe their *Happiness*, but their *Lives* to her Care, might I have been permitted to mention their Names.

SHE would sometimes indeed be a little out of Humour; and nothing more contributed to the making her so, than to see the Ladies, for whom she had any Esteem, neglect her Advice, or drink *Rosa Solis*, or *Aqua Mirabilis*, or *South-Sea*, or *Common Citron Water*, or any other Dram, which, she would say, were equally ruinous to
their

their COMPLEXION, as their MODESTY.

BUT Business continually increasing upon her Hands, and she being unequal to the Fatigues of it, she was advis'd to call into her Assistance some Sage and Understanding Man, who could talk French and High Dutch, who was a Favourite of the Ladies, and qualify'd for such an Employ.

SHE knew of but One (whom she could make choice of) who exactly answer'd this Character, and that was Mr. John James H—d—gg—r. Accordingly she apply'd herself to him; and after some little Dispute, he accepted of her Terms: It is said they cohabited together, and I have heard many Things offer'd to prove it; some of them indeed wear the Semblance of Truth; but nevertheless, *I am willing to believe* they were forged by her Enemies, to raise the Enmity of the Ladies against her.

HOWEVER, I will not venture to affirm, that their Friendship for each other was without any Mixture of Love; they had both of them too delicate a Taste for *Platonics*, and were too conscious of their own Perfections, to imagine they were not as capable

able of giving as receiving Pleasure; but her Regard to the Ladies was so great, that she would by no Means (*I conceive*) nourish a Passion which might be in the least prejudicial to them.

NOR were either of them ever easy but when they were employing their Thoughts on something or other for the Ladies Service; she was always forming of new Schemes, and he was as eager to execute them: He indeed had the Reputation of their Author, because 'twas necessary, for their mutual Security, that One of them should act behind the Curtain, and leave their Friends (in case they should come into any Trouble) to screen the other.

'Tis said, it was to her we were oblig'd for that elegant and useful Entertainment of Masquerades: She forelaw it would be impossible to make her Business of universal Advantage without them; that it would relieve many Ladies of the most promising Geni, who must otherwise, like the Phoenix, expire in their own Flames; who must otherwise languish away their Lives, under the Cruel Care of Fathers, Husbands, or Guardians; and she was resolv'd, be the Consequence what it would, to establish them;

them; she therefore communicated her Thoughts to Mr. *John James*, aforeſaid, who bleſſ'd her for her lucky Diſcovery; he knew *no one*, who had any Taſte of the *politer Pleaſures*, but would encourage 'em; he knew how vaſtly they would improve, as well as extend, the Intrigues of the *Town*; how in particular they would promote the Trade of *her Houſe*; he weigh'd every Circumſtance, and every one ſtrengthened him in his Opinion of them; in ſhort, he propos'd getting a *Charter*, and having erected them into an *Academy*, took the Sa—nt the next Morning (as did Mrs. *Wiſebourn*) to qualify him accordingly.

THE Succeſs they have had ſince was beyond their moſt languine Expectations, and as much Money (in reſpect of the Intrinsic Value) paid in upon their Subſcriptions, as upon thoſe of the S—S—. The Ladies were ſenſible it would look like Diſaffection in their *Fathers*, or *Huſbands*, to deny them a Diverſion which was authoriz'd, and ſo much frequented by *Very great Perſonages*; that at leaſt it would be declaring themſelves diſguſted with the M—y, who were all *Subſcribers* to the *Masquerades*.

It is her Integrity was capable of being doubted; if any thing could affect a Reputation so unsully'd as hers; I should have said something relating to a little Difference between her and Mr. H--d--g--r concerning this Affair, not long before she dy'd; but as he ask'd her Pardon when she was on her Death-Bed, and since she, as became a good *Christian*, did forgive him, it would be very unworthy in me, to mention any Thing to *his* Prejudice so long afterwards, and I should detest myself for so doing.

It is not to be conceiv'd how patient she was under Afflictions! how *resigned* in every Event! her Behaviour was the same on her Death-Bed, as at other times; she was sensible of no Alterations in her Mind, whatever she was in her Body; and it is a memorable Instance of it, (as well as of her great Tenderness to Mankind) that but a few Minutes before she dy'd, she order'd herself to be remov'd out of her Bed into a Chair, to make room for a *Gentleman and Lady who wanted one.*

By the Company who frequented her House, she had attained to a very great Knowledge in Politics. I have heard, that some of the late Ministers would never undertake any Thing without knowing her Sentiments of it first; she generally judg'd right; and therefore I cannot believe, as has been reported, that she was the original Projector of the South Sea Scheme, nor that it was ever projected at her House.

NEVERTHELESS, I will not deny, but it was chiefly calculated for her Service; not only her own Name, but those of all her Friends were in every List for Subscriptions; tho' whether it was with their Consent or no, I shall not take upon me to determine.

It is however may be said in her Defence, that it was the only remarkable Error she was ever guilty of; there are strong Suspicions against her it is true, but so there were against some of the greatest Men in the Kingdom, who have since been fully and clearly prov'd innocent. That the Directors and their Accomplices have forg'd several eminent Persons Names, is notorious; and why this mayn't be the Case

Case with relation to her, I know not; at least I shall suspend my Belief of it till the Arrival of Mr. Knight, in whom alone it lies to condemn or acquit her.

To be serviceable to Mankind, she would often say was the only Motive on which she could wish to live; she was affable to all; if she had any Fault, 'twas Excess of Humility; she would make no Distinction between the Ties of Relation and Friendship; all her Friends were her Relations; nay, her nearest Relations, her Children; as she would indulgently call them.

SHE (as I have said already) had always the strictest Veneration for the Church, and the most unworthy Member of it was at all times welcome to her. The Reverend Mr. T— is a living Instance of this; she had first conceiv'd an Opinion of him by hearing him Preach (for she never fail'd being at Church every Lord's Day, twice at least) which was confirm'd in her by reading some of his Poetry; there was something in it— she could not tell what; that charm'd her— she could not tell how—; it was perhaps the unusual Fervour, the Vehemence which seems peculiar

liar to that *Great Man*; and she lov'd to see People in earnest, in what they pretended to; his Verse indeed she did not think quite so Orthodox as his *Divinity*; nevertheless, till she could provide better for him, she made him her *Domestic Chaplain*.

WHEREVER she laid any Obligation, it was without the least Prospect of Return; but this *worthy Person* was as grateful as his Benefactress was kind; he always had the greatest Sense of her Favours, and was concern'd he could only shew it in Words; but she, who knew the Value of *his*, desir'd no other Acknowledgment; she desir'd only some *Verses* sacred to her *Memory*, or a *Funeral Sermon*, or *BOTH*; and she left him a Reward accordingly in her *Will*.

HE has since finish'd the Verses, as I am inform'd, and the learned World wait with Impatience to see them; there is no room to doubt but they will meet with the Success of his *other Pieces*. He will always write *like himself*; nor, I may venture to say, will his *Subject* be inferior to his *Performance*.

So great was the Esteem of the Ladies for Mrs. *Wisebourn*, that they never thought themselves happier than when they were in her Company, nor was she happier than when she could provide Persons of Distinction for theirs; she had of *either Sex*, a select Society at her House, who came not there out of any Mercenary Views, but purely for each other's *Recreation and mutual Solace*.

THEY met in different Apartments; but as they thought fit could unite *both Companies into one*; however that was but seldom, because it was inconsistent with that Privacy, the Nature of their Affairs requir'd.

IN the Society of Ladies, presided *one*, who shall be distinguish'd by the Name of *Cangia*: If she is not the most graceful, she is the most comely Person of her Sex; she is Mistress to a very great Man, tho' she herself is in love with a very mean one; this is the last of six Gallants she has had since her being in *England*; (for she is a *Foreigner*) her Soul is soft and susceptible of every Impression: A Look, a Glance, a Bow, will make an absolute Conquest

Conquest of her Heart; and she will dis-
 solve, (as Mr. Pope, in his intended
New Version, happily expresses it) like
 Snow upon the Mountains of Bether.

In such Distempers Mrs. *Wisebourn* was
 her only Physician; she had *Specifics* for
 every Degree of them, and knew how to
 proportion them to the Nature and Con-
 stitution of the Patient. *Cangia* had chanc'd
 to cast her Eyes upon this Person, as she
 was going in a Coach and Six thro' the
 Park; 'twas sufficient for her to see him;
 she instantly fell in love with him, and point-
 ed him out to Mrs. *Wisebourn*, who was
 with her: Her Acquaintance was Univer-
 sal; she knew him, and promis'd *Can-
 gia* he should be at her House the next
 Evening.

CANGIA accordingly came, and
 Mrs. *Wisebourn* told her, the Gentleman
 would be there in an Instant; she, in the
 mean while desir'd her to walk up, and
 entertain herself with some Pictures she
 had newly purchas'd: The Room and the
 Furniture were too well known to need
 a Description; let it suffice that the Pic-
 tures were done by the most eminent Hands;

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and of that Sort which seems to fire the Imagination, and excite in the Beholders that Passion they so lively represent: Every Thing conspir'd! the most tempting Ideas fill'd her Mind! the most agreeable Softness her Soul! his Image still danc'd before her Eyes, and she thought him present e'er he appear'd.

UPON the Bed in an inner Room lay, counterfeiting himself asleep, the charming, the beautiful *Bellmour*; he was in such a Posture, as the modest and ingenious Author of the *Atalantis* says, is too indecent to be describ'd, and therefore I shall refer my Reader to her Description of it; the Windows were obscur'd to favour the Deceit; and upon her approaching the Bed, he was so dispos'd, that she must of Necessity fall into his Arms.

THE natural Consequence of her Contemplating the Pictures, Mrs. *Wisebourn* knew, would be a Desire of reposing herself there; but when, instead of dreaming, she found herself really in the Embraces of *Bellmour*, she was too highly transported to be surpris'd; she neither knew, nor car'd who he was; she thought it sufficient he was hers.

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HARDLY had they commun'd together *thus* an Hour, when the Lady *Rialta* (who had Reason to hope, from the many Favours she had conferred on *Bellmour*, she was secure of any Rival in his Love) whether brought there by *Destiny*, or *Design*, came into the Chamber; she had pass'd unheeded by Mrs. *Wisebourn*, who was sitting in the Parlour very intent upon the *Common-Prayer*, or some other *Book of Devotion*, which she had in her Hand.

It is not to be imagin'd, the *Grief*, the *Rage*, the *Variety of Passions*, with which she was possess'd upon seeing them together in *this Manner*! She had once resolv'd to join them *so* together for ever, with *his* Sword, which lay half unheathed in the Window; but *that* she thought would not be a Punishment adequate to his Crimes: He would triumph in *dying in the Arms of his Mistress*; it would make him Insolent, as well as Perfidious!

SHE however threw open the Curtains, but her Fury would not permit her to speak; she often essay'd, but as often fail'd in the Attempt: *Cangia* was
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confus'd;

confus'd; *Bellmour* dreaded her Indignation; and yet he could say nothing to appease *her*, but what must necessarily raise the Resentments of *the other*.

IN this Exigency Mrs. *Wisebourn* came in ; she was not so much surpriz'd to see them in this Disorder, as concern'd to know how to remedy it ; she was sensible it was of the utmost Importance to reconcile *Rialta* to *Bellmour* ; that the Society must lose a Member if she lost a Gallant.

At last, reflecting upon *those* celebrated
Lines in the Play, viz.

The Gods in Bounty work up Storms
[about us,
That give Mankind Occasion to exert
Their hidden Strength, and throw out into
[Practice
Virtues which shun the Day, and lie con-
[ceal'd,
In the smooth Seasons, and the Calms of
[Life.

SHE determin'd to try if she was not capable even of turning this Misfortune (how difficult soever it might seem) to her

Advantage; she wisely consider'd, that if every Lady pretended to make a Monopoly of Lovers, (which she perceiv'd they were all endeavouring to do) the Jealousies and Dissentions among them would be endless; that it would at least embarrass, if not utterly overthrow their Constitution.

SHE therefore address'd herself to *Riatta*, and said, it was not for her to pass Judgment upon an Affair of so high a Nature as this; but that (if she might presume so far) she would advise her to refer it to the Ladies who were then sitting in a full Assembly below; as for *Bellmour* (she said) she was persuaded he was not altogether so guilty as she imagined, (she was persuaded) he could enjoy only her, tho' even in the Arms of another.

THUS was she forc'd to soothe *Riatta* to obtain her Consent to Appeal; she was sensible it would give her the Opportunity, she had so long wanted, of getting a Vote against *Monopolies*; which was so contrary both to her Interest and their own; each of them at last comply'd; *Cangia* rely'd upon the Number and Greatness

ness of her Friends; *Rialta* (as she took it) upon the Justice of her Cause; neither of them, it is true, is much to be depended on; for whatever it has been, it *now* happens, that the one is no more regarded than the other.

EACH came down, and took their Seats according to Form; Mrs. *Wisebourn* opened the Case; and after she had stated it with all the Truth and Impartiality peculiar to that excellent Woman; she with such powerful Eloquence set forth the pernicious Effects of any one's pretending to restrain, or be a Check upon the Inclinations of another, in love; that, without dividing, they gave the Cause in Favour of *Cangia*.

AND it it was further resolv'd *Nemine Contradicente*, That no Member of this Society should, under Pretence of Kindred, Alliance, Marriage, or Keeping, assume any Authority, or Prerogative over, or claim any Right, Title, Privilege, or Property in any Person, or Persons, independent of the rest of the Society, on Pain of being Expelled.

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AND it was by Means of this Vote, the Society flourish'd, and arriv'd to the Height it was at, when Mrs. *Wisebourn* left this Life for a better; and without such a Vote, the very End and Purpose of its Establishment had been lost: It was not for the Convenience of keeping Gallants it was design'd; but to furnish the Ladies with the greatest Variety, without being at that Trouble.

THE next in Precedence to *Cangia* was *Ermonima*; a Lady whose *Amours* can't be a Stranger to many, because her Person it self is not so: It is said, she has been as liberal in bestowing her Favours, as Fame has been busy in reporting them: Her Husband, if he has no other Qualification, at least has that which is most agreeable to the Ladies: But the Nearness of the Relation makes her detest him; and he is as much the Cause of Aversion in her, as he is of Affection in others.

To mention all her *Amours*, would be descending from *Gilded Apartments*, to ——— Pardon the Immodesty of the Expression ——— to COMMON *Bawdy-Houses*! She has not only been indulgent to the

the Desires of the *great*, but of the *mean* !
 nay, of the *meanest* ! of *Porters*, and *Hack-*
ney-Coachmen !

THE Affair I am going to mention,
 was not indeed of that Sort; it was with a
 Person. who was not in those Circum-
 stances *then*, whatever he might have
 been in *before*; his Father was a menial
 Servant to—— who, for *some secret Ser-*
vices, got him into the M—— his Ex-
 ploits since are too well known to be
 related; he sung, he danc'd, he drank,
 he *amour'd* for the good of the S——e :
 He was not only a *Tool* to his Superiors,
 but to his *own Creatures*; nor were *they*
 ever any other than *Fidlers*, *Buffoons*,
Songsters, or *Gamesters*; he knew not
 how to make a *good Choice*, notwithstand-
 ing he had (before his Eyes) such a no-
 torious Instance of an *ill one*, as his Ma-
 ster's, in *that* of himself.

THIS Man, with all these Accom-
 plishments, did *Ermonima* prefer to her
 Husband; he had got the Ascendancy of
 her Heart, and no body could imagine
 the Cause; various were the Conjec-
 tures, but not so various as false: It
 could not be *Variety*; it could not be
Love;

Love; she had enough of the *one*, and was too great a *Mistress* to be touched with the *other*; however, she had always a *Passion for Eunuchs*, and perhaps his Resemblance of *them* might occasion her Fondness for *Him*.

IN his last Illness (for it is since reported he is dead) she sent to *one of our Faculty*, who had the Care of him, and in the most intolerable Confusion (betraying all her *Love* by her Extravagance of *Grief*) threw her self at his Feet, and told him, her Life and all that was dear to her, depended on him; that if he would preserve her, he must (which was the same Thing) preserve her *Lover*; that what he could wish of Gold should be the smallest Instance of her Gratitude, that she would even Pawn her own Person for the Performance of it, if he requir'd it.

THE Doctor bowed, and bid her be assur'd of his Life; that had he fallen into *any other Hands*, his Condition had been desperate indeed; but that *HE*! would even turn this Distemper, Malignant as it was, to his Advantage! that *HE* would even make it a Means
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of throwing out those *Noxious Humours* from his Blood, which he had accumulated there by his former Excesses.

His Words gave some Comfort to the desponding *Ermionina*; the Pope cannot pretend to more Infallibility in *Divinity* than the Doctor does in *Physic*: He repair'd to his Patient, felt his Pulse, and order'd him something from his own Apothecaries, of which (as is customary with all the Doctor's Patients) he expired the same Night.

HAD he made use of either my *Antivenereals*, my *Anticribitics*, my *Blistering Plaster*, my *Purging Sugar Plums*, or my *Anodyne Necklace*; and applied any of them, or all of them together properly to the Patient's use, he had certainly dy'd with more Reputation to the Doctor than he has done at present.

BUT, however, if the Doctor could not cure his Distemper, he had better Success with *Ermionina*: she had lost her Lover! but with him she had likewise lost her Grief; she began to have a Tenderness for the Doctor, and she forgave him the Death of her Gallant, she

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(told him she) knew not which to admire most, his quickness of Apprehension, or readiness to obey her; that unless he had perform'd his Promise effectually to her, she should never (in all the Latitude she could wish) have been able to have perform'd hers to him — and immediately flew into his Arms.

THE Doctor here receiv'd the Reward of his Skill, and he was soon sensible her Specifics were more potent in Diseases of Men, than were his in those of the Women; however, they both endeavour'd to give what Satisfaction they could to each other, and continu'd applying their Remedies so long, till some body came in and discover'd them in the height of their Operation.

THE Servant who was the Cause of this unhappy Accident was remov'd from her Place, but soon restor'd to it again, lest she should (as it was afterwards found she did) report it abroad, and bring a Scandal upon this Society at Mrs. Wisebourn's, of which she was then a Member.

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The next Lady was likewise marry'd ; but till I have her Orders to the contrary I shall conceal her Husband's Name ; I know she would rather be call'd *Scindia* than any other, and therefore so I shall call her ; her *Lover* (for I never heard she had more than one) was *wealthy, young, and gay* ; and as *amorous* as his Father was *wife* : He gave *Magnificent Entertainments, Treats, and Tickets for Masquerades*, and was kind even to all the *Sex*, for her sake ; he was so *Prodigal in his Presents*, and had withal such an agreeable Way of offering them, that he was as much confounded when they refus'd them, as they themselves were when they accepted them ; and yet they reject'd them only because they knew that one must necessarily bring on another, and *Monkeys and Lap-dogs* terminate in *Boys and Girls*.

He writ *Billet Doux*, and *Scindia* answer'd them ; but as they were in Verse, and consequently extreamly Valuable, they could trust them in no body's Hands but their own ; so that they imploy'd all their time in writing and delivering their own Letters.

THEIR usual Meetings were at a Lady's, who was *once* a celebrated Beauty her self; but now her Charms are all declined, and her whole Quiver of Arrows expended! she continu'd some time with Mrs. *Wisebourn* before she was free of the Profession, and then (it is said) *Ermonima's* Gallant got her a — from the — of a thousand Pounds a-year to begin with; nor was there ever any equal to her in Ability, or so capable of succeeding Mrs. *Wisebourn*, the present Right H — e the L — y — who does succeed her expected.

SELINDA was once at B — , and in an Assembly of Ladies, one of her Letters from *Philander* (for so her Lover was call'd) was read; and being desir'd to be read over-again by a Lady in Company, there were found in it the following Verses:

He writ Billet Doux, and Sent them in Verse,
 I lov'd them, but as they were in Verse,
 and consequently extremely Valuable, they
 could trust them in no body's Hands but
 their own: so that they employ'd all their
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The Poetry was applauded as it de-
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 as they could wish as the Husband
 was in the time of Queen Elizabeth, or
 the Hood Petrice lay, the
 To ease the Anguish of her Mind,
 And dose away the Day.

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HER Eyes by gentle Slumbers seal'd,

No more with Tears o'erflow'd;

Her Looks alone the Love reveal'd,

That in her Bosom glow'd.

III.

Then cease my Charmer, cease thy Sighs,

Again thou must be mine;

And think that thy Adorer dies,

Till be again in thine.

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THE Poetry was applauded as it deserv'd; it was as much in the Fashion as they could wish; as the *Fardingal* was in the time of Queen Elizabeth, or the *Hoop Petticoat* is now. There is the *Turn*, the *tender*, the *soft*, the *agreeable*, the *Rhyme*, and all the *modern Essentials* of a *Poem*: It might indeed have been look'd upon as no extraordinary Performance among the *Ancients*; but their Way of thinking and writing is at present as unfashionable *with us* as their Dress.

IF like other Men of Quality he did not write them himself, like them, it was not for want of *Capacity*, but *Leisure*. It is said that Mr. C--- or his Tutor Mr. P---pe had the greatest Share in them, and that the last *Stanza* is entirely theirs; however, till I see Reason to the contrary, I must still believe (as I have always done) that *Seignior Pa---o R---lli*, Poet and Secretary to the Royal Academy of Music, was the Author of them; and what strengthens me in it is, that his new Translation of *Milton's Paradise lost* into *Italian*, is exactly in the same *Style* and *Measure*. This Gentleman indeed deserves the Favours he has met with;

with; since, (only from what he has said himself) he is superior to all others, in the Art of Poetry especially.

SELINDA came to Town with her Answer, and then return'd to B--- again; but I never heard that he carry'd his Verses to her himself, or even sent them any other Way than by the common Post; which makes me conjecture she set a greater Value upon her Works than he did upon his; so that whatever my Opinion was before, I shall now alter it in Favour of her.

Mrs. Wilebourn, who was always an Encourager of Science, perceiving Philander's Genius in Poetry, propos'd conferring on him the Honour of Poet and Secretary to their Society, and to set him up in Rivalship against Seignior P---, Poet and Secretary, as has been said, to the Royal Academy of M---; which Philander was very willing to accept, provided they would stay till he had spent what remain'd of his Estate, which he promis'd faithfully he would do as expeditiously as he possibly could.

AFTER *Selinda* was *Mondaria*; she was natural born, and therefore had an Hereditary Right of sitting in all Assemblies of this Nature; it is not a twelve Month since her Husband dy'd, if a State of Inactivity and Impotence in Love can be call'd Life: His Flames, it is true, when they were first marry'd, were just upon expiring, and only serv'd to light up hers; like a Lamp burnt to the Socket, which, tho' within a Moment of its own End, can communicate all its Fire and Lustre to another.

BUT lest she should gain a Degree of Heat that might be dangerous to her, she had a *Water Engine* continually at Hand; which, however, (notwithstanding all her Efforts) she would often Pump dry before she could well allay her Flames; and a *Physician*, who is a Favourite of the Ladies, because he generally administers his own Medicines, is the Owner of it, and works it.

SHE makes no Scruple of appearing at all public Places with him, or even permitting him to visit his Patients in her own Coach; she says, whatever she was

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to her Husband when he was living; she is under no *matrimonial Contract* to the World; and therefore shall stand in no awe of its Censures, nor desire to be SCREEN'D from them.

THE Doctor's only Rival, if (which is much doubted) he has really any, is a Poet, who is as eminent for his Person as his *Genius*; his *Form* is the best *Index* of his *Mind*; nor can the Drawings of Sir Godfrey Kneller, or Dahl, give one so just an Idea of the former, as that it self does of the latter: If *Monavaria* does now and then scatter some of her Favours upon him, it must be only to appease the *Manes* of her Husband; he was his *Friend* when he was living, and therefore ought to be consider'd as his *Representative* now he is dead.

BUT *Monavaria* cannot be fonder of the Doctor than *Damina* (the Lady I am next to speak of) is of *Signor Semirvir*, the Eunuch; I r, (that's the *Eunuch*) however, does not stand alone in her Heart, a Brother of the Right H---L---y, who succeeds Mrs. *Wisebourn*, has likewise some Share in it; they are Rivals, and do not know it; *Signor Semirvir* is as little Jealous

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of him, as he can be of *Signor Semi-vir*: But she, who is a better Judge of their Abilities, than they are themselves, considers I r as the *Genius*; and H e as the Man of Business: H e is to her in the Way of a *Chaplain*, or *Groom of the Chambers*; I r in that of a *Lover*: H e is purely for Service; I r for Pleasure and Ornament: H e is to allay her Desires; I r to rouse them up: If there is something bold and Masculine in H i m; there is a Softness, and agreeable Languor in I r. In short, I r may be consider'd as a *Magician*, who with *Charms* and *Spells* raises the Devil within her; and H e, as a *Parson*— who tays him.

H e was once with a Friend of his at Mrs. *Wisebourn's*, in the Company of several Ladies; and in the Height of their Entertainment, who should start in upon them but *Damiana*? He was surpriz'd, and all (except his Friend) in Disorder left the Room; she began to tax him with his Ingratitude, his Perfidy, his exposing her Letters in Public Coffee-houses, and every Thing else which she would usually reproach him with upon these Occasions; he was as submissive as guilty; the more she rag'd, the more he vow'd

Obedience

Obedience to her Will; she demanded an immediate Proof of it; he lock'd his *Friend* up in the Closet, and gave her a thousand; still she was not satisfy'd; she wanted her little *Eunuch* to give the true *Zest* to her Pleasures; she departed abruptly from him; but the other had, in Requital of his Confinement, a Suit of Velvet order'd him the next Morning.

THE Consequence of this Meeting was not so agreeable to him as he could wish; she had such a Present from his *Rival* the Night before, as she concluded could come from no body but him; she accused him with it; and he not knowing but he might have receiv'd something of that Nature from some other Woman, did not absolutely deny it; which she resented so far, that she could never be prevail'd upon to see him after; *Signor Semivir*, in the mean while, not being in the least suspected, imparted it to half the Ladies of Quality in Town.

THE Ladies *Lisetta*, and *Epischia*, ought to be mention'd together, because (as I have heard) they have but one Lover between them; nevertheless, he is

as inconstant as they are kind : He holds his Title to *Epifchia* in Right of her Husband, who bequeathed her to him for Reasons of State ; he had some Turn to serve, and consented to be his *Cuckold*, provided *Admissarius* (for so I shall call him) would be his *Tool*.

ADMISSARIUS divides his Heart among his Mistresses as equally as possibly he can ; but he has so many, that neither of these whom I have mention'd, have much Reason to boast of their Share in it ; they can't be insensible of the Cause of his Coolness, and yet they are at eternal Dissentions about it : The Matter was once carry'd so far, that 'twas believ'd their Husbands (one being a leading Member of the — and the other of the —) would have interested both — of — in their Quarrel.

BUT whilst they are perpetually distracting themselves with Jealousy, and new Discoveries of his Pertidy, there is only one in full Possession of his Heart ; she indeed seems to have won it by Merit, and the Force of many Obligations ; and were she not a Person of
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too Mean a Degree (having been, if she is not at present an *Actress*) might justly deserve a Seat in this *Society*.

NUMETHIA was next, not more beautiful than high born; she has a very little younger, and every Way as agreeable as her self; she is gay and amorous, and fancy'd she saw something in him more of Love than Respect: There was a certain Softness in his Air, a certain *Languor* in his Look, that convinc'd her, if he did not sympathize, at least he could not be insensible of her Pains; notwithstanding any Relation between them.

His Passion was not less than hers; but neither of them knew how to disclose it to the other; they had consider'd of all Ways, but found all to be ineffectual; tho' they were Persons of Quality, they yet had some Regard to their Reputation; and were afraid of Censure, tho' they were above it.

In this Exigency, they both apply'd themselves secretly to Mrs. *Wisebourn*; they inform'd her of their Malady, and desir'd she would think of a Remedy; she promis'd them; and imagin'd it would
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not be very difficult to perform, since their Affection for each other was mutual.

HOWEVER, she who was not to be told that stoll Delights were the sweetest, resolv'd they should not be acquainted with it till they made the Discovery themselves; she was certain it would be to the Satisfaction of both, to believe the other ignorant, who was in their Arms; that it would be a kind of renewing their Delight, when it was reveal'd to them the next Morning.

NUMETHIA had contriv'd that he should be introduc'd to her, when she was in Bed, and the Candles were out, instead of his own Mistress; and he on the contrary, had resolv'd to personate her Lover: It would be impossible to give a Description of their Joys; let it suffice to say they could not be increas'd; they were almost too exquisite to be continu'd.

EACH was conscious of the Deceit, but knew not the other was so; each was for hastening their Departure before Day; but (Love had so linked them

them together) neither of them could stir; they had sworn to Mrs. *Wisebourn*; but *Love* is a Dissolver of all Ties for the sake of *One*; if *she* was injur'd by their Stay, *they themselves*, as they imagin'd, were inevitably ruin'd.

BUT neither of them was less amaz'd at the other's Silence than at their seeming Eagerness to be gone; they perceiv'd a Mystery too in each others Behaviour; which they were not able to unfold; they at last linger'd away so long in kissing and taking their Leave; and parted and return'd again so often, that the Sun shone in upon them, and render'd all further Endeavours of concealing themselves vain.

WHOSE Surprize at this Juncture was greatest, would be difficult to imagine; he was motionless as a Statue, whilst she blush'd and burst out into Tears; each would have ask'd Pardon of the other, but neither could hope for Forgiveness; each knew they were Deceivers, but did not know they themselves were deceiv'd.

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THEY were as silent now as before; each of them would have spoke, but were willing the other should speak first; they continu'd in this Suspence for some time; till at last he fix'd his Eyes upon hers; but he saw nothing forbidding, nothing of Repentment, or Anger, in them; her Fear seem'd to be greater than her Aversion; he even ventur'd to lay hold of *her Hand*, upon which she *reclin'd* her Head gently upon *his Breast*; this kindled afresh in them all their Desires; they were no longer under any Apprehensions; she gave her self a Spring into *his Arms*, and with infinite and unutterable Endearments clasp'd him as eagerly *in hers*.

Mrs. *Wisebourn*, who (notwithstanding all their Promises) guess'd how Matters would be carry'd on, was not in the least surpriz'd to see them together in the Morning; she was her self too sensible of the Power of Love, not to make any Allowances upon that Account; she told them by this time she hop'd the Mystery of their Passion was reveal'd, that the Imposture of all Sides was too agreeable to be displeasing; that were it known, no body could blame them, be-
cause

cause no body could believe but (as the Poet expresses it)

The Faults of Love by Love are justify'd

THEY acquiesc'd; and under her Guidance were as happy as they could wish: Nor will either of these noble Persons but do her the Justice to own: this Affair was wholly owing to the Great Genius! Consummate Wisdom! Depth of Thought! Strength of Parts! Capacity, Penetration, Prudence, Foresight, Ability, Discretion, and VIRTUE of Mrs. Wisebourn! whose Care and Tenderneſs of her Children (as I have ſaid before, ſhe would indulgently call them) was equal to that of themſelves; or of one another.

THE next was a Lady who had an Affair with a Gentleman of Ireland; a Nation for which Mrs. Wisebourn had always a particular Regard; ſhe knew them to be the beſt Workmen in her Way, and therefore ſhe would ſeldom imploy any other to work to her Shop; the young Lady fell in love with him for the ordinary Accompliſhments of his Country; a well grounded Assurance, and a GREAT CAPACITY;

PACITY; they were however a little unfortunate in their Amours, for what should have been a Secret to all but themselves --- and Mrs. *Wisebourn*, was by a fatal Accident discover'd to a *Hackney-Coachman*.

THIS was the Mystery of their Love reveal'd; nevertheless they did not cease imposing it upon the World for such still; tho' they had not (like *Adam* and *Eve*) only tasted of one *Apple*, but eat of the whole *Tree*; they had prescrib'd themselves no Bounds to their Bliss, if *Virginity* and *Innocence* were *Paradise*, *Love* and *Enjoyment* were *Heaven*; and the Loss of one (as it was improperly call'd) but a *Glorious Transfation* into the other.

THE next is a *Lady* as deservedly happy in the Choice of a *Lover*, as she is in that of a *Husband*: He is one who does not make use of the little *Arts* and *Ornaments* of *Dress*; because he is sensible his *Mistress*, as well as himself, despises them; he has nothing sincerely at Heart but the Good of his Country, and he only trifles with *Love* at his Leisure; to redress the Wrongs of an injur'd Nation; like another *Cicero*, to bring

bring all the Betrayers of it to Justice; he thinks alone worthy of his Thoughts, as it can alone render him worthy of her.

HE was seldom indeed seen at Mrs. *Wifebourn's*, for which his Enemies accus'd him of want of Taste and Politeness: I cannot, 'tis true, altogether pretend to vindicate him in this Particular; I own he was to blame; but then let it be consider'd too, it was his principal, if not his only Failing.

THE last I shall mention is *Riveria*; not that she is less deserving, but of less Quality than any of the rest: She was at first reputed *Author* of a Book, which has since been own'd by two Reverend and Worthy Divines; the one an Inhabitant of the City of *Westminster*, the other of *Dublin*; with which last likewise she at present cohabits. Some Share it is true she had in it; for it was writ on her Bosom when she was in Bed, and in a Posture that could only furnish them with all those soft and pleasant Ideas; those very Expressive and Epicurean Images, with which their whole Work, but in particular their Descriptions are bound;

bound; and therefore she may not be so properly said to be the Writer of it herself, as the GENIUS or MUSE of those that were.

PERHAPS it would be thought an Injustice to her Memory, to pass over unspoke of, so shining an Ornament of this Society as that Lady once was, who stabb'd her self in the Nunnery, into which she was forc'd by the Cruelty of her Relations, for the Love of Mr. P-----pe, whom I have already mention'd in the Account of *Monavaria* and the Doctor; as he himself relates it in a Poem of his, under the Title of *Verses to the Memory of an unfortunate Lady*: However, the Cause of her Death, I will venture to say, almost atones for the Sin of it; his Person is as amiable as his Muse, and certainly not to be seen by any of the Sex without some fatal Effect; especially if big with Child, as this Lady was before she enter'd into a Vow for the Conservation of her Chastity.

THUS have I finish'd the Characters of the Principal Persons who compos'd this illustrious Assembly; after her Death it was for some time dissolv'd, but now flourishes

flourishes again, under the Care and Management of the Right H-----le the Lady ----- in as much Perfection as ever.

Mrs. *Wisebourn* perceiving by the Complication of Distempers that afflicted her, she was almost at the End of her Pilgrimage, order'd the Reverend Mr. T----- (who, as has been said, was her *Domestic Chaplain*) to attend, that she might advise with him about the State of her Soul; he examin'd into every Action of her Life, and sifted her Conscience like a *Sieve*, thro' and thro', and yet he could see nothing that had even the Semblance of a Sin; nevertheless he assur'd her she could not have been guilty of any Thing, tho' it were ever so enormous, that he (in Consideration of the Favour she had always shewn the C----y, and her Detestation of Atheists, or, who are much worse, *Presbyterians* and *Low-Churchmen*) could not have given her *Absolution* for.

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AFTER she had taken this Refreshment, she was a little more at Ease; for this was a Cordial that would never fail of reviving her Spirits, were they ever so languishing and low; she then desir'd him to sit her upright in the Bed; and all her Daughters and Domesticks being call'd about her, as she had order'd, she spake to them in the following Manner;





Children and Friends,

“ I Am sensible, by the Nature of my
 “ Distemper, and the *warning* I
 “ have receiv’d from some *unseen Power*,
 “ that the Day of my Dissolution draws
 “ nigh; the World is too wicked for
 “ me to live in it any longer, and there-
 “ fore it so pleases H---n to take me from
 “ hence to itself; nevertheless, my
 “ *Children and Friends*, I cannot but be
 “ concern’d for your Welfare; it grieves
 “ me to think, that when I am gone
 “ from among you, you may be strug-
 “ gling here for a slender Substance;
 “ and *earning your Bread by the Sweat of*
 “ *your Brow*: You have all liv’d with
 “ me too long to need any other In-
 “ structions than those I have heretofore
 “ given you; only let me advise you to
 “ be as careful of your selves as I have
 “ been of you; to retain those *Principles*
 “ which

“ which you were educated in, and which
 “ you chiefly owe to the pious Endeavours of this *Holy Man* (pointing
 “ to the Reverend Mr. T-----) never to swerve from the *Truth*, or separate your selves from those chosen
 “ People of H---n, the T-----, to whom I have with Pleasure observ’d, not only
 “ you, but *all* in your *Way*, that is, *almost all* your Sex, have ever been
 “ most firmly attached. Consider that
 “ nothing is of any Value in Comparison of those *Principles* this *Holy Man*, I say, (pointing again to the
 “ Reverend Mr. T-----) has so industriously *instill’d* into you; indeed it is
 “ not much Matter whether you have
 “ any other or no; but these are what
 “ you ought to stick by, what you ought
 “ to maintain, what none of you can *take*
 “ a *Degree*, or be in the least *qualify’d* for
 “ your Business without; there is such a
 “ *Harmony* between your Opinion and
 “ Profession! such a Connection! that I
 “ have heard this *Holy Man* say, (pointing again to the Reverend Mr. T-----)
 “ he will encourage you, and cherish
 “ you, and absolve you of all your
 “ Sins, whilst you continue in them.
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“ Obſerve this *Holy Man*; (pointing again to the Reverend Mr. T—) obſerve him, I ſay; let him be a *Father*, a *Guardian*, a *Brother*, a *Husband* to you all! This *Holy Man*, ſays ſhe again, (pointing again to the Reverend Mr. T—) — and then, with great Compoſure of Mind, ſhe departed this mortal Life.

Thus died this excellent *Woman*, in the Sixty Seventh Year of her Age; and in the Year of our Lord 1720. She had, ſome Time before, writ her *own Epitaph*; which, becauſe I have ſince ſeen turn'd into *Latin*, and apply'd to another Occaſion, I ſhall take no further Notice of here. The next Day ſhe was embalmed and removed into a different Apartment, where ſhe lay in State Three or Four Days, and then was very pompouſly bury'd (her Hearſe being attended to the *Grave* by the greateſt Part of the N—y of *England*, in their *own Coaches*) at *St. Martin's in the Fields*, Six D—s holding up the *Pall*; and Mr. T— performing the *Funeral Service*.

A little before her Death, I am to inform my Reader, ſhe had form'd a De-
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sign of getting a *Charter*, and erecting a Company for furnishing the Town with Ladies of the best and safest Sort, at a much cheaper Rate than at present; together with an Office of Insurance from Infection; where, upon the Payment of Five Shillings Advance, and Two Shillings and Sixpence *per Quarter*, every Person of either Sex, that should be infected, were to be cured at the Expence of the Company: And, by her *great Interest* she had almost obtained such a Charter, when the *Scire-Facias* came out, and put a Stop to the proceeding any further in it, till *Public Credit* should be restored, and People were enabled to encourage so great and advantagious an Undertaking.



A little before her Death, I am to inform my Reader, she had found a De-



*A true COPY of the Last
Will and Testament of Mrs.
Elizabeth Wisebourn, vul-
garly called Mother Wy-
bourn.*

I *Elizabeth Wisebourn*, being in sound
Health of *Mind*, but in great Weakness
of Body, do, by this my last *Will* and
Testament, bestow my worldly Goods
and Chattels in Manner following:

Imprimis, To my *Eldest Daughter*, Mrs.
Sarah Salisbury, a *New Bath-Metal Watch*,
and Ten Shillings and Sixpence, for Loss
of Time in attending my Funeral.

Item, To All my other Daughters
Mourning-Rings of the same Metal,
and Five Shillings a piece for Loss of
Time also.

Item, To Mrs. *Sarah Prater*, Three
half Crowns to redeem her Gown, now
in Pawn for that Sum, and a *Right*
Bristol-Stone-Ring, *Brilliant Cutt*.

Item, To Mrs. Elizabeth Minsoul Five Guineas, to pay Dr. Anodyne Tanner for her Cure; and a Wrapper against she lies down.

Item, To Mrs. Diana Cadogan Five Guineas, and a Wrapper for the same Use.

Item, To Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley Five Guineas, and a Wrapper for the same Use.

Item, To Mrs. Diana Brainsborough Five Guineas, and a Wrapper for the same Use.

*Item, To her Daughter, now at H—
— Boarding School, my Morocco Leather Common Prayer-Book; and Two Guineas for a Legacy to her Mistress, for the extraordinary Care she has taken of her Education.*

Item, To my ingenious and worthy Friend Mr. — the Bookseller, as an eternal Monument of my Friendship and Affection for him, I bequeath a Manuscript Treatise of my own Writing; which, with a proper Title, may serve to bind up with the Cases of Impotency and Divorce.

Item,

Item, To those Two great and useful Seminaries, *Birchhead* and *Beveridge*, Ten Pounds a piece for my Picture to be drawn at Length, by the ingenious Mr. D—, and plac'd in a Golden Frame, at the upper End of their Rooms.

Item, To his G— the D— of — a Gross of right *Dutch C—ms*, newly imported from *Holland*, by Mr. M—, the *few*.

Item, To the Reverend Mr. T—, as well for his faithful Services to me, as in Consideration of his Writing my *Elegy* and *Funeral Sermon*, I bequeath Two Years Salary; my Black *Prunella Mantem*, to make him a New Gown and Casloc; the *English Art of Poetry*, with a Dictionary of Rhymes, very necessary for making of Verses; several other Books of no less Importance to him, among which are all the choice Pieces of my worthy Friend Mr. — publishing, especially *The Art of Flogging*, and *The Pleasures of Coition*; and lastly, I leave him, knowing the great Veneration he has for the *Church of Rome*, and her Head, a String of *Consecrated Beads*, and the Heel of his *Holiness's Slipper*.

Item,

Item, To Dr. Anodyne Tanner all my Nostrums, among which is a New Specific for the preventing Infection; as also all my Personal Estate, nor above specify'd; making the said Dr. Anodyne Tanner whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament; he paying, or causing to be paid, the afore-said Legacies, within Twelve Months after my Decease. And I do hereby revoke all other Wills whatsoever, by me formerly made.

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